



Newton College Bound Students

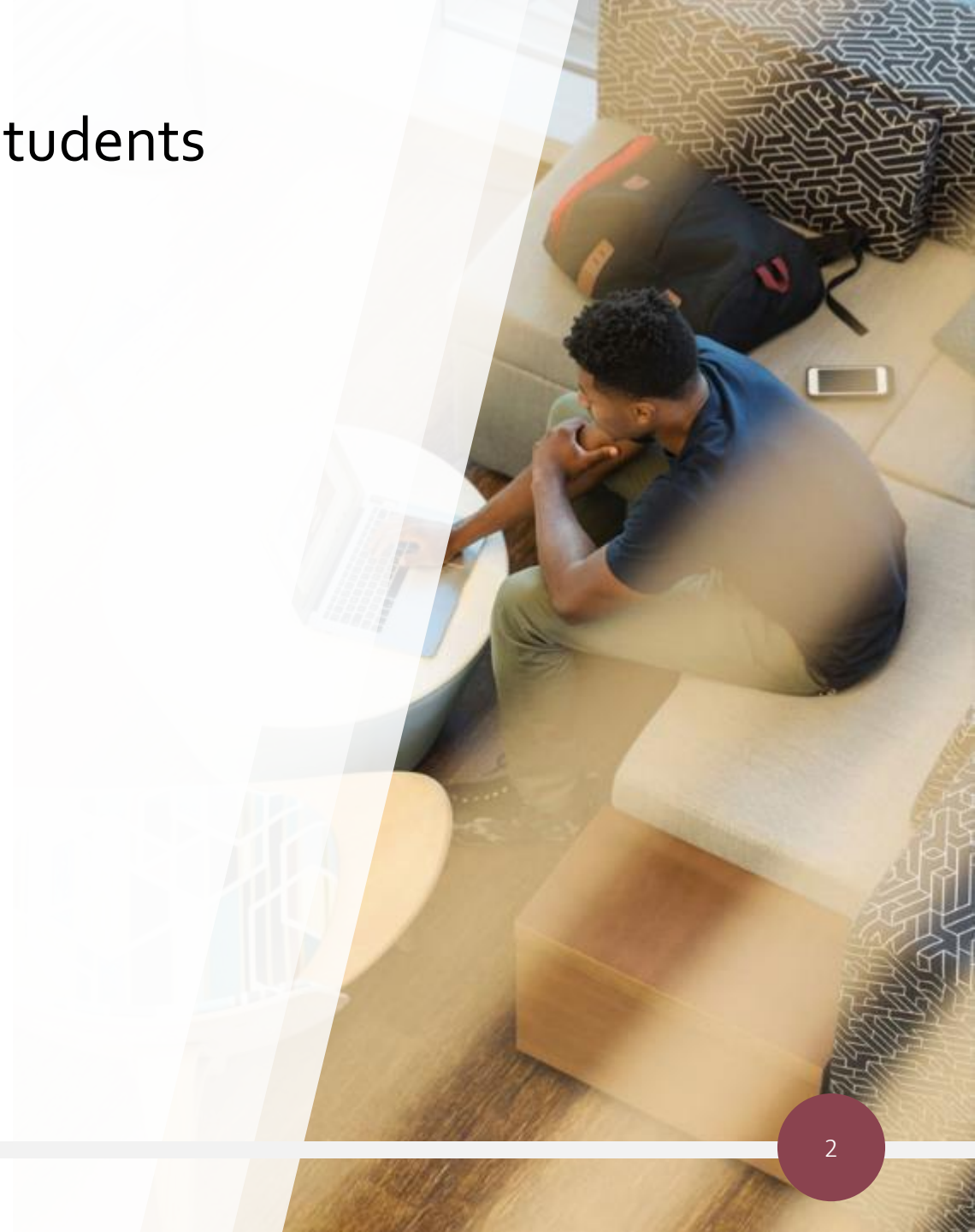
The Process



Newton High School's Guide for Students
Interested in Attending College

Top 10 Favorite Colleges of Past Newton Students

1. Edison State Community College
2. Sinclair Community College
3. Bowling Green University
4. Ohio University
5. Ohio State University
6. Wright State University
7. University of Cincinnati
8. University of Dayton
9. University of Toledo
10. Miami University



COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

- Know your college application process. The application DEADLINES and their application fee are very important! CHECK OUT THE COLLEGE'S WEBSITE!!
- Finish your college application on or before Halloween for the best results!
 - **Don't wait until the last minute to apply!!!!**

RECOMMENDATION LETTERS

Strong Letters of Rec. can SET YOU APART

- Ask for 2-3 recommendation letters from:
 - Academic teacher (preferably in your field of interest)
 - Coach and/or Advisor of extra-curricular activity
 - Employer
 - Someone else who is willing to help with emphasizing your strengths as a student and a person
- In Common Application, provide the email addresses of the authors' of your letters of recommendation
- Provide the author your resume when you ask them to write your letter
- Give them at least 2 weeks to write the letter of recommendation
- Ask for additional copies of the letter, which will be used to send out for scholarships which require them (NOTE! Your author will need to change the wording from letter of rec. to scholarship opportunity)

How to Apply to College

- Common Application
 - (go to: <https://www.commonapp.org/> to see list)
- Directly through college's website
- US Mail
- **** Fill out the transcript request form and submit to the HS office in order to notify the guidance counselor/principal to send your transcript out and who to send it to!



TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM

Quick Start Guide

CREATE A PARCHMENT ACCOUNT AND ORDER YOUR TRANSCRIPT

Download the [Parchment Guide to Ordering Transcripts](#) for FAQs and full details on registering, ordering and more!

CREATE A PARCHMENT ACCOUNT

1. Go to the [Sign up page](#), and fill in the fields.
 - If you select that you are interested in colleges/scholarship programs discovering you, you will be asked to enter information about your academic history. **In a hurry?** You can come back later to add to this section.
2. Start by adding a school or organization you attend/ed.
3. Enter the name of the school you attend/ed in the search box and click **Search**.
4. When your school appears, click **Add** and then fill in the fields on the **Add Enrollment Information** page.



If you received an email from your school with a link in it, or a handout with a code, follow the instructions in the email or handout to register. Or if your school's website has a link to Parchment on it, use that link because you may be able to register in fewer steps.

ORDER YOUR TRANSCRIPT

1. [Sign in to your account](#).
2. Click **Order** under the name of your school.
3. You will see two destination options. If you are sending your transcript to a school, enter the school name in the text box. If you are sending it to yourself or another individual, select the **I'm sending to myself or another individual** option.
4. Continue filling in the fields to place your order. Information on the next page tells you more about the options that you will see here.
5. On the Provide Consent page you (or your parent/guardian) authorizes Parchment to release your transcript from your school once we receive the transcript. You can sign with your mouse or finger.
6. Finally, you will make a payment (we accept Visa, Mastercard, Discover, and American Express), and you can then begin to [track your order](#).

Newton High School has partnered with Parchment to ensure a quick and easy process for students to request transcripts. The process is all online and can be accessed through the Guidance page of the Newton Schools' website.

After clicking on the Guidance tab you simply have to click on the "Transcript Requests" link and then click on "Newton Transcript Requests."

Another benefit of the Parchment system is that the student and Newton High School will be able to track the transcripts and therefore have confirmation of when it is received.

Students will be able to send the transcripts to colleges, businesses, scholarships organizations, home address, etc. And this program will be for all current and past Newton students.

Please check out the helpful hints to under the Quick Start Guide!

TYPES OF ADMISSION (PART 1)



- Regular Decision:

- Most common option for four year colleges and universities
 - Applications sent by a specific date, usually between November and January (MUST CHECK COLLEGE'S WEBSITE)
 - Admissions board reviews all applications and sends out acceptance/rejection letters on the same date
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- Rolling Admission:

- Common at large state universities
- Allows student to apply at any time during their admissions period, typically, September through July
- The college evaluates each college application as it is received and send acceptance letters to students who meet their requirements
- Since admission is granted on a first-come, first-serve basis, you will want to submit your application as early as possible

TYPES OF ADMISSION (PART 2)



• Early Decision:

- This decision is binding – a student who is accepted MUST attend the university or college
- You are communicating with the school you are serious about attending
- This is typically your first choice of a college, improving your chance of acceptance



• Early Action Deadline:

- This is nonbinding
- Students receive an “early” response to their application
- But do not have to commit to the college until the normal replay date of May 1st



Tips & Tricks



- Develop a spreadsheet or folder/binder to keep your college information organized throughout the year.
 - Within the spreadsheet include important dates and information (i.e. deadlines, scholarship opportunities, positives & negatives, overall cost, etc.)
 - Within the binder keep letters of recommendation, community service information, scholarship applications, essays, etc.
- Students should be the ones who are doing the work.....
 - Asking for letters of recommendation
 - Applying to colleges
 - Applying for scholarships
- Why have the students do the work?
 - We are preparing them for the real world! Part of that is the understanding of deadlines, following through, personal motivation, financial responsibility. This process will teach them all of those things plus more and will instill in them how important it will be to perform while in college!

SCHOLARSHIPS

Miami County Foundation Scholarships → <https://www.miamicountyfoundation.org/scholarship-listing>

- Thelma Ross Dalton, Marjorie Lyons Netzley, and Robert Netzley Scholarships – Deadline of Feb. 1st
- Don Favorite Deeter M.D., Newton Board of Education/American Legion, J.A.K., and Robert & Doris Taylor High Scholarships – Deadline of March 1st
- Miami County Agricultural Leadership Scholarship – Deadline of April 1st

Newton Alumni Association Scholarship – Deadline of April 15th

Newton Teachers Association Scholarship – Deadline of March 18th

Elks National Foundation Scholarships

Most Valuable Students - <https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/MVS.cfm> - Deadline of November 15th

Legacy Award - <https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/Legacy.cfm> - Deadline of Feb. 7th

Heisman Scholarship → <https://heismanscholarship.com/> - Deadline of October 19th

Kosier Family Scholarship – Deadline of December 31st

*Please note: Scholarship updates will be emailed directly to the students and parents via finalforms and will be posted on the main Guidance page <https://www.newton.k12.oh.us/Guidance.aspx>; ALL scholarships (including those that are waiting for updates from the organizations) can be found under the Scholarships link on the Guidance page or directly by clicking on the following link: <https://www.newton.k12.oh.us/Scholarships.aspx>.

College Visits



- Seniors are permitted two (2) days to visit colleges before the end of the third grading period.
- Juniors are permitted to take one (1) college day during the second semester.
- Arrangements for these visits must be completed in advance and be approved by the counselor and principal or his designee. (College Visit Forms can be found in the HS office)
- College visits count as excused absences.

2023–24 School Year Test Dates

SAT Test Date*	Registration Deadline	Deadline for Changes, Regular Cancellation, and Late Registration
Oct 7, 2023	Sep 7, 2023	Sep 26, 2023
Nov 4, 2023	Oct 5, 2023	Oct 24, 2023
Dec 2, 2023	Nov 2, 2023	Nov 21, 2023
Mar 9, 2024 (Digital)**	Feb 23, 2024	Coming soon
May 4, 2024 (Digital)**	Apr 19, 2024	Coming soon
June 1, 2024 (Digital)**	May 17, 2024	Coming soon

2023-24 ACT Test Dates & Registration Deadlines

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline	Estimated Score Release
September 9, 2023	August 4, 2023	August 18, 2023	September 25-November 3, 2023
October 28, 2023	September 22, 2023	October 6, 2023	November 13-December 22, 2023
December 9, 2023	November 3, 2023	November 17, 2023	December 26, 2023-February 2, 2024
February 10, 2024	January 5, 2024	January 19, 2024	February 26-April 5, 2024
April 13, 2024	March 8, 2024	March 22, 2024	April 29-June 7, 2024
June 8, 2024	May 3, 2024	May 17, 2024	June 24-August 2, 2024
July 13, 2024*	June 7, 2024	June 21, 2024	July 29-September 6, 2024

ACT/SAT Testing

Please check out the **National Testing** link on the Guidance page or use <https://www.newton.k12.oh.us/NationalTesting.aspx> for additional information including:

- Registration
- Prep Content
- Testing Videos
- Things to Know About How College Use Testing Results

Frequently Asked Questions.....

1. "I need an updated transcript, where do I go?"
 - Transcript request forms are available in the HS Office (Orange Paper) or they can be found on the Guidance page under the Transcript Requests link.
 - Transcript request forms must be submitted to the HS Office and then Mr. Spitler will process them as they are received.
2. "The college where I applied says you (guidance counselor) haven't sent my transcript yet?"
 - Double check with Mr. Spitler, but it is likely the colleges are backed up with thousands of applicants.
 - Mr. Spitler will CC the student on the email sending the transcript to the college as well.
3. "Can you send my ACT scores for me?"
 - No, those must come from the testing agency.
4. "How are scholarships determined?"
 - Need Based (complete the FAFSA) and/or Merit Based (based on GPA, ACT/SAT scores, volunteer hours, paid work experience, clubs, awards, etc.)
5. "How do I fill out my FAFSA?"
 - Please visit the Guidance page of the Newton website and click on the Financial Aid link or use the following link to get there directly.
<https://www.newton.k12.oh.us/FinancialAid.aspx> All of the directions and help can be found there!!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask Mr. Spitler and don't forget.....

The NEWTON GUIDANCE WEBSITE has A LOT of very useful information, so check it out!

Direct link at the bottom of this slide or go to the school's website and use the following directions.....
NEWTON SCHOOLS → DEPARTMENTS → GUIDANCE



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<https://www.newton.k12.oh.us/Guidance.aspx>